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FROM CHAIRMAN ELG

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: EMERGENCY MILITARY CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENTS ANNEX TO
E AND E PLANS

1. EXPERIENCE GAINED SINCE 1974 WITH CYPRUFWN ASMARA, AND BEIRUT EVACUATIONS INDICATES THE NECESSITY FOR (1) TIMELY REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENT OF E AND E PLANS WHEN SITUATION BECOMES SENSITIVE; AND (2) ACTIVE CONSIDERATION OF INTERFACE BETWEEN POSTS' E AND E PLANS AND US MILITARY CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AFTER CIVILIAN E AND E OPTIONS EXHAUSTED.

2. WITH RESPECT TO FOREIGN SERVICE POST/US MILITARY INTERFACT, IT HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED THAT AN UPDATED, COMPREHENSIVE E AND E PLAN IS MOST USEFUL BUT ALSO THAT IT CONTAINS TOO MUCH IRRELEVANT DETAIL TO BE USED EFFECTIVELY BY EITHER THE COMMANDER OF A LAST RESORT MILITARY RESCUE MISSION OR THE US
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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS MONITORING SUCH A MILITARY EVACUATION SITUATION.

ACCORDINGLY, A EUROPEAN LIAISON GROUP (ELG) ANNEX TO THE E AND E PLAN ON MILITARY CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF MILITARY PLANNERS AND OPERATORS. IT PROVIDES FOR ONLY THE KEY INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR A LAST RESORT RESCUE MISSION. IT SHOULD ALSO CAUSE THE FOREIGN SERVICE POST TO REVIEW CAREFULLY AND UPDATE KEY ELEMENTS OF ITS OWN PLAN, INCLUDING ESTIMATES OF PROBABLE NUMBERS OF POTENTIAL EVACUEES, LOCATIONS OF ASSEMBLY AREAS, ROUTES AND EVACUATION POINTS; INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS; AND AN ESTIMATE OF THE SECURITY SITUATION IMPACTING ON THE FOREGOING FACTORS.

3. THE TEXT OF THIS MILITARY ANNEX, WHICH HAS BEEN WORKED OUT BY USCINCEUR AND CONSULATE GENERAL STUTTGART (COMPRISING ELG) AND APPROVED BY THE WASHINGTON LIAISON GROUP (WLG), WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE EMBASSY BY SEPTTEL FROM USCINCEUR. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO PREPARE AND TRANSMIT THIS ANNEX BY CABLE TO AMCONSUL STUTTGART AND USCINCEUR (INFO DEPARTMENT) FOR ELG REVIEW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (FYI: WHEN EMBASSY BEIRUT WAS ASKED TO SUBMIT, IT PREPARED AND TRANSMITTED WITHIN THREE DAYS OF REQUEST. THIS ROUTINE REQUEST FOR A MILITARY ANNEX HAS BEEN ANSWERED USEFULLY THUS FAR BY EIGHT POSTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST/MEDITERRANEAN AREA THIS YEAR.)

4. AFTER SUBMISSION TO ELG, THE EMBASSY SHOULD ATTACH A COPY OF THE COMPLETED ANNEX TO ITS OWN E AND E PLAN, USING THE REVIEW, AS APPROPRIATE, TO UPDATE KEY ELEMENTS OF THAT PLAN. PERTINENT SECURITY SITUATION REPORTS BEARING DIRECTLY ON ANY CONTEMPLATED EXECUTION OF PHASES OF THE E AND E PLAN SHOULD BE SENT TO ELG ELEMENTS (AMCONSUL STUTTGART AND USCINCEUR).

5. THIS IS A COORDINATED ELG MESSAGE. JENKINS

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